

REMARKS

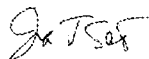
In the amendment filed on January 31, 2008, claim 11 was canceled following an objection that the subject matter of the claim was not shown in the drawings.

The subject matter recited in claim 11 has now been added to Fig. 1(b), specifically the heat shield which has been added as element 12. New claims 26 and 27 are directed to this heat shield, which corresponds to prior art heat shields, as discussed in the present specification in the paragraph bridging pages 2 and 3, where it is disclosed that the heat shield is placed between the carrier plate and the piston. It is therefore known that the heat shield is disposed on the surface of the carrier plate opposite to the brake lining.

The description of Fig. 1(b) in the specification has been amended to note the presence of the heat shield.

Accordingly, no new matter has been added to the application.

Respectfully submitted,



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